

QUALITY OF LIFE

Minnesota is the best place in the country to grow up in because we invest in our small towns and big cities. Governor Walz and Lt. Governor Flanagan propose investing \$536 million in General Obligation bonds to support projects across the state that help connect Minnesotans and build thriving communities. This plan will utilize an additional \$139 million in other financing for a total investment in quality of life of \$675 million. These investments will help communities grow and thrive, from providing low-interest loans to farmers to renovating community spaces like libraries and town halls to building local transit and recreational trails to get Minnesotans where they want to go.

Department of Administration

State Building Efficiency Investments and Revolving Loan Fund

The Governor recommends \$5 million to create a revolving loan fund from which the Department of Administration will lend funding to other agencies to finance energy efficiency and water conservation facility improvement projects.

Department of Agriculture

Rural Finance Authority Loans

The Governor recommends \$50 million for Rural Finance Authority (RFA) loans using general obligation-user financed bonds. RFA partners with local lenders to provide low interest loans to eligible program participants. The repayment of these loans by program participants will be used to pay the debt service on the bonds and not for additional loans. The loans are used by farmers to purchase agricultural land, state-of-the-art facilities, and farm equipment; improve agricultural land; and improve farmer cash flow.

Amateur Sports Commission

Regional Sports Center

The Governor recommends \$329,000 to develop a plan for a Regional Sports Center in St. Paul. This center will be a four-field complex that can accommodate soccer, rugby, lacrosse, and other field sports. The site plan to be developed with this funding will include the fields, parking, access roads, etc. The purpose of these regional centers is to increase sports participation, as well as promote sports tourism and economic benefit.

Department of Education

Library Construction Grants

The Governor recommends \$2 million for the Library Construction competitive grant program. This program enables public libraries receiving funding to improve access and meet ADA compliance standards by removing architectural barriers and replacing deficient facilities.

Department of Employment and Economic Development

Business Development Public Infrastructure Grant Program

The Governor recommends \$9 million for the Business Development Public Infrastructure (BDPI) program. BDPI is a competitive grant program that provides cities in Greater Minnesota with up to 50% of public infrastructure costs necessary to support economic development in high-growth industries. Eligible public infrastructure projects include sewers, streets, and utility extensions.

Innovative Business Development Public Infrastructure Grant Program

The Governor recommends \$3 million for the Innovative Business Development Public Infrastructure (IBDPI) program. IBDPI is a competitive grant program that provides cities in Minnesota with up to 50% of public infrastructure costs necessary to support economic development in innovative industries. Eligible public infrastructure projects include sewers, streets, utility extensions, land acquisition, and telecommunications.

South Minneapolis CareerForce Location Asset Preservation

The Governor recommends \$642,000 for asset preservation for the South Minneapolis CareerForce location. This CareerForce location serves 7,000 individuals on average every year, and this location has been utilized since 1993. This funding will allow the Department to address deferred maintenance needs at the facility. The Department's total deferred maintenance backlog is \$691,500.

Minnesota Historical Society

Historic Sites Asset Preservation

The Governor recommends a total of \$5.275 million for preservation and restoration of historic structures, landscapes, and building systems in the State Historic Sites Network and for monuments located statewide. Projects are prioritized based on long range planning, building analysis, and structural conditions. These sites have a total estimated \$79 million in deferred maintenance needs.

County and Local Historic Preservation Grants

The Governor recommends \$750,000 for grants to preserve historic assets owned by county and local entities. This program leverages local funding to preserve historic structures such as depots, senior and community centers, schools, bridges, theaters, park buildings, museums, water towers, and township halls.

Department of Human Services

Child Adolescent Behavioral Health Services Large Motor Activity and Ancillary Space

The Governor recommends \$1.75 million for the Child Adolescent Behavioral Health Services (CABHS) facility to design and construct a 4,100-square-foot therapeutic recreational space and restrooms and make other ancillary improvements. This funding would complete the CABHS project that was funded by the legislature in 2017.

Direct Care and Treatment Energy Upgrades

The Governor recommends \$3.5 million to design and install renewable energy systems and upgrades at Anoka Metro Regional Treatment Center (AMRTC).

Early Childhood Facilities

The Governor recommends \$5 million in general obligation bonds and \$5 million in general fund cash to construct and renovate early childhood facilities. The purpose of this funding is to ensure families have access to early childhood programs housed in safe facilities. The Department of Human Services (DHS) selects projects through a request for proposal (RFP) process and requires a 50% non-state match.

Minnesota Management and Budget

Capital Budget Outreach and Assistance

The Governor recommends \$235,000 annually for Minnesota Management and Budget. This funding will increase the agency's capacity to proactively raise awareness about the capital budget process and provide assistance around the requirements associated with receiving general obligation bond funding among nonprofits and communities that have traditionally not participated in the state bonding process.

Metropolitan Council

Busway Capital Improvement Program Bus Rapid Transit

The Governor recommends \$55 million for design, environmental work, acquisition of right-of-way, engineering, and construction along regional busway corridors.

Regional Parks and Trails Grant Program

The Governor recommends \$10 million to improve and expand the metropolitan regional parks and trails system. The funds will be partially matched by the Metropolitan Council.

Minnesota Zoo

Treetop Trail: Monorail Track Repurposing

The Governor recommends \$11 million to build a 1.25-mile elevated walkway for visitors to the Zoo's oak forest, wetland, and other animal habitats. The trail will utilize some of the existing infrastructure from a defunct monorail and will provide a new experience for Zoo visitors.

Revitalize the Zoo

The Governor recommends \$5 million to renovate the Minnesota Zoo's animal hospital, which will improve animal welfare and the experience of visitors.

Department of Natural Resources

Natural Resources Acquisition and Betterment of Public Lands

The Governor recommends \$30 million to acquire lands for scientific and natural areas, state parks, forests, and the pheasant summit action plan. It also betters existing public lands through reforestation, improving parking, adding campgrounds, improving water landings, conserving groundwater, and improving hatchery ponds.

Improving Accessibility to State Parks and Recreation Areas

The Governor recommends \$10 million to upgrade William O'Brien State Park and design improvements at Fort Snelling State Park to improve accessibility and meet standards set by the Americans with Disabilities Act. The renovations could include visitor centers, day use facilities, shower buildings, vault toilets, sidewalks, parking areas, and selected trails.

Lake Vermilion Soudan Underground Mine State Park

The Governor recommends \$5.8 million to develop campgrounds at Lake Vermilion Soudan Underground Mine State Park.

Parks and Trails Local and Regional Grant Program

The Governor recommends \$4 million for competitive grants to local governments for acquisition and development of local and regional parks and trails across the state. The project will acquire about 100 acres, develop or redevelop several local or regional parks, and provide funding for about 20 local and regional trail projects.

Community Tree Planting Grants

The Governor recommends \$2 million to provide grants to communities to minimize the damage to forests and to replace trees damaged by shade tree pests.

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Community Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Grant Program

The Governor recommends \$12 million for grants primarily to local governments to install a network of electric vehicle charging infrastructure and \$2 million for the installation of chargers on state property. The grants will purchase fast-charging stations in areas lacking charging sites and in areas with high charging demand. The purpose of the proposal is to incentivize consumer adoption of electric vehicles to reduce carbon emissions.

City of Duluth Dump Superfund

The Governor recommends \$7.7 million for cleanup of the City of Duluth Dump Superfund site as part of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's (MPCA) program to address legacy contaminants. It implements a long-term remedy for both the waste and methane impacts at the site by excavating and consolidating waste to protect the environment and human health.

Clay County Transfer Station Build

The Governor recommends \$8.5 million for phase two of construction of the Clay County Transfer Station as part of MPCA's capital assistance program. This proposal purchases land and equipment and constructs a new transfer station and problem materials facility.

Pope Douglas Solid Waste Management Campus Expansion

The Governor recommends \$9 million for expansion of the Pope Douglas Solid Waste Management Campus as part of MPCA's capital assistance program. This project includes equipment replacement at the Materials Recovery Facility and land to relocate the administration building and Household Hazardous Waste Facility. It also includes construction of a regional organics composting facility.

Ramsey and Washington Recycling and Energy Center Expansion

The Governor recommends \$8 million for expansion of the Ramsey/Washington Recycling and Energy Center as part of MPCA's capital assistance program. It expands the tipping floor, modifies the existing building, and installs a processing line of conveyors and separators to mechanically recover compostable products.

Brookston Closed Landfill

The Governor recommends \$1.33 million for cleanup of the Brookston Closed Landfill as part of MPCA's program to address legacy contaminants. It consolidates existing waste and installs a new engineered synthetic cover and passive gas system to mitigate environmental impacts and protect public health and safety.

Chisago County Household Hazardous Waste Facility Expansion

The Governor recommends \$391,000 for expansion of the Chisago County Household Hazardous Waste Facility as part of MPCA's capital assistance program (CAP). CAP provides financial and technical assistance to local governments to encourage proper waste management and the recovery of materials and energy from waste. The community use and processing demands placed on this facility have outgrown the temporary lean-too, outdoor storage, and fenced-in areas.

City of Coon Rapids Recycling Center Expansion

The Governor recommends \$700,000 for expansion of the City of Coon Rapids Recycling Center as part of MPCA's capital assistance program.

Dakota and Scott County Household Hazardous Waste and Recycling Facility

The Governor recommends \$4 million for construction of a Dakota and Scott County Household Hazardous Waste and Recycling Facility as part of MPCA's capital assistance program. The proposal acquires land for and designs, constructs, and equips a new regional household hazardous waste collection and recycling facility.

Hennepin County Organics Transfer Station Expansion

The Governor recommends \$2 million for expansion of the Hennepin County Organics Transfer Station in Brooklyn Park as part of MPCA's capital assistance program. The proposal adds an area on the east side of the facility dedicated to

receiving and storing organic material. The expansion will provide ingress, egress, and maneuvering space for collection vehicles to dump organics; storage space to accumulate multiple streams of organics prior to loading into semi-trailers; space for semi-trailers to maneuver and park while being loaded; and space for a loader to operate while loading the organics.

Organics Infrastructure Projects

The Governor recommends \$10 million for local government organics infrastructure projects as part of MPCA's capital assistance program. The proposal assists with constructing or expanding capacity at compost facilities, designing and constructing regional anaerobic digestion facilities that utilize food waste, and adding capacity at transfer stations.

Perham Arsenic Superfund Site

The Governor recommends \$8 million for cleanup of arsenic contamination at the Perham Superfund site as part of MPCA's program to address legacy contaminants. It includes design and predesign, and will demolish existing buildings to access and excavate contaminated soil, which requires acquiring property interest.

Todd County Campus Expansion

The Governor recommends \$6 million for expansion of the Todd County Solid Waste Campus as part of MPCA's capital assistance program. The proposal will construct a new transfer station, renovate the existing transfer station into a regional single-stream materials recovery facility, and expand a regional source-separated organic material composting facility.

City of Minneapolis Transfer Station Renovation

The Governor recommends \$571,000 for the renovation of the City of Minneapolis Transfer Station as part of MPCA's capital assistance program.

State Academies

Minnesota State Academies Dorm Renovations

The Governor recommends \$6.3 million for predesign, design and renovation of four dorm buildings – Pollard Hall on State Academy for the Deaf's campus, and Kramer, Brandeen, and Rode Dorms on the State Academy for the Blind's campus. This project would make the dorms accessible, upgrade mechanical and safety systems, and add laundry and kitchen facilities.

Minnesota State Academies Student Center Predesign

The Governor recommends \$150,000 for pre-design to replace two buildings housing the gym and multipurpose room on the Minnesota State Academy for the Deaf campus. The current facilities are not accessible to all students, not energy efficient and require significant upkeep.

Department of Transportation

Greater Minnesota Transit Capital Program

The Governor recommends \$10 million for the Greater MN Transit Program, which provides grants to rural and small urban transit providers to maintain current facilities or improve and expand service. Eligible transit systems are located in rural areas and cities with a population up to 200,000.

State Airport Development Program

The Governor recommends \$19.2 million for three local airport projects: the Brainerd Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Building, International Falls runway reconstruction, and Rochester runway reconstruction and safety improvements.

Minnesota Rail Service Improvement Program

The Governor recommends \$5 million for grants and loans to regional railroad authorities, shortline and regional railroads, and shippers to improve rail facilities, increase rail shipping, and support economic development.

Port Development Assistance Program

The Governor recommends \$10 million for the Port Development Assistance Program, which supports the infrastructure needs of publicly owned ports on the Great Lakes and inland river navigation systems. These grants provide up to 80% of project funding, with the remainder coming from local sources.

Passenger Rail Program

The Governor recommends \$10 million for Minnesota's share of design and environmental work for a second daily Amtrak train between the Twin Cities, Milwaukee, and Chicago.

Department of Veterans Affairs

Fergus Falls Greenhouse

The Governor recommends \$100,000 to design, construct, and equip a greenhouse at the veterans home in Fergus Falls. The greenhouse will be a free-standing, 750-square-foot structure that is strongly desired by the residents of the home.

Local Government Projects

Albert Lea: Blazing Star Trail

The Governor recommends \$1.75 million for a grant to the City of Albert Lea to complete the last phase of the Blazing Star Trail, which will connect Albert Lea to Hayward. The total project cost is \$2.71 million.

Alexandria: Runestone Community Center Expansion

The Governor recommends \$5.6 million for a grant to the City of Alexandria to build an expansion at the Runestone Community Center that will accommodate both dry floor and ice events. The total project cost is \$11.211 million.

Bloomington: Center for the Arts Expansion

The Governor recommends \$10 million for a grant to the City of Bloomington to build a 22,000-square-foot addition to the existing Center for the Arts. The project includes a 300-500 seat concert hall, rehearsal space, café, and an accessible entryway. The total project cost is \$21.355 million.

Carver County: Waterfront Development for Waconia Regional Park

The Governor recommends \$4.3 million for a grant to Carver County to build new park buildings at Lake Waconia Regional Park to enhance public use of the lake. The total project cost is \$11.6 million.

Chatfield Economic Development Authority: Center for the Arts

The Governor recommends \$9.728 million for a grant to the Chatfield Economic Development Authority to complete the modernization of the Chatfield Center for the Arts. This funding will complete the rehabilitation of the former high school building, the auditorium, and the structure linking the two buildings. The total project cost is \$29.974 million.

Cohasset: Mississippi Riverfront Development

The Governor recommends \$2.85 million for a grant to the City of Cohasset to design and construct a multi-use riverfront development. The total project cost is \$6.321 million.

Coon Rapids: Coon Creek Regional Trail and Pedestrian Bridge

The Governor recommends \$2.25 million for a grant to the City of Coon Rapids to build a new bridge for the Coon Creek Regional Trail over County State Aid Highway 1 (Coon Rapids Boulevard). The total project cost is \$4.5 million.

Crane Lake Township: Voyageurs National Park Visitor Center

The Governor recommends \$6.6 million for a grant to Crane Lake Township to build a visitor center, campground, boat ramp, and access road at the Voyageur National Park. The total project cost is \$8.6 million.

Dassel-Cokato Public School District: Regional Activity Center

The Governor recommends \$5 million for a grant to the Dassel-Cokato Public School District to build a Regional Activity Center that includes a walking track, field house, ice rink, gymnastics facility, and community center. The total project cost is \$10.664 million.

Ely: Regional Trailhead Construction

The Governor recommends \$2.8 million for a grant to the City of Ely to fund a regional trailhead complex and visitors center serving the David Dill-Taconite Snowmobile Trail, the Mesabi Trail, and the Prospector's Loop ATV Trail. The total project cost is \$4.1 million.

Equity in Bonding: Capital Projects

The Governor recommends \$30 million to support capital projects from community-based organizations that are led by and serve communities of color and American Indians, as these organizations have not traditionally had access to capital investment from the state.

Falcon Heights: Community Park Building

The Governor recommends \$1 million for a grant to the City of Falcon Heights to replace the Community Park Building, which is used as the central gathering location for community events and park and recreation programs, but has exceeded its useful life. The total project cost is \$3.174 million.

Fergus Falls: Downtown Riverfront Improvements

The Governor recommends \$2.25 million for a grant to the City of Fergus Falls for downtown riverfront corridor improvements, including: an amphitheater, river market, river balcony, public arts space, and related publicly owned infrastructure and amenities in downtown Fergus Falls. The total project cost is \$4.5 million.

Hennepin County: Avivo

The Governor recommends \$1.8 million for a grant to Hennepin County for the Avivo (formerly Resource Inc.) project to fund design and construction costs for the renovation and expansion of Avivo's campus in Minneapolis. The total project cost is \$20 million.

Hibbing: Mine View "Windows to the World"

The Governor recommends \$1.5 million for a grant to the City of Hibbing to build a viewing area at the Hull Rust taconite mine. The new mine viewing area, called "Windows to the World", will include walking trails, interpretive signage, multiple viewing points, and a park where families can roam among the mining artifacts. The total project cost is \$3 million.

Lake City: Ohuta Beach Breakwater

The Governor recommends \$1.058 million for a grant to the City of Lake City for a 280-foot shoreline structure at Ohuta Beach in Lake City to protect the beach from the prevailing winds, and to provide additional public access to the lake for water recreation. The total project cost is \$2.116 million.

Lake City: Roschen Park and Boat Ramp Breakwater

The Governor recommends \$1.058 million for a grant to the City of Lake City for a 280-foot shoreline structure at the public boat ramp in Roschen Park to protect watercraft as they launch from the prevailing winds, and to provide additional public access to the lake for water recreation. The total project cost is \$2.116 million.

Litchfield: Community Recreation Improvements

The Governor recommends \$5 million for a grant to the City of Litchfield to enhance the recreational opportunities for the community through improvements to the civic arena and park system, and construction of a new recreational facility. The total project cost is \$10 million.

Madison: Recreation and Activity Center

The Governor recommends \$4.5 million for a grant to the City of Madison to build a recreational facility that will enhance community interactions and create a space for a variety of social and physical activities. The total project cost is \$9 million.

Martin County: Veterans Memorial

The Governor recommends \$300,000 for a grant to Martin County to complete the back part of the Veterans Memorial. This area is designated for the quiet reflection of friends, family, and others as they remember their loved ones who have served in our armed forces. The total project cost is \$793,000.

Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board: 26th Avenue North

The Governor recommends \$3 million for a grant to the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board for a new Mississippi River overlook and access point at the terminus of 26th Ave. N., along with a trail connection between that access point and the Grand Rounds Trail System at Ole Olson Park. The total project cost is \$4.5 million.

Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board: Grand Rounds Missing Link Implementation

The Governor recommends \$12.348 million for a grant to the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board to implement a key segment of the Minneapolis Grand Rounds, a trail network of national significance, that would run through northeast and southeast Minneapolis and connect St. Anthony Parkway to the Mississippi River. This project would implement the first phase of development. The total project cost is \$17.376 million.

Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board: North Commons Regional Vision

The Governor recommends \$11.25 million for a grant to the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board for a new recreation and arts space at North Commons Park that will serve the northside community, as well as host other state and regional arts, sports, and community events. The total project cost is \$18.75 million.

Minnesota Public Television Association: Capital Equipment

The Governor recommends \$15 million in appropriation bonds to support the creation of a capital equipment program for Minnesota's public television stations that will allow for the replacement of outdated major equipment such as transmitters, antennae, and towers.

Moorhead: Community and Aquatics Center

The Governor recommends \$9.5 million for a grant to the City of Moorhead for a community-focused wellness facility that includes a pool and diving area, exercise areas, community gathering spaces, senior spaces, child care, and an outdoor splash pad. The total project cost is \$29.102 million.

Nobles County: Welcome, Education, Library, Livability Building

The Governor recommends \$16 million for a grant to Nobles County for a new building that will house the county library and community services functions, Independent School District 518 Community Education and the Integration Collaborative, city recreation administration, and a welcome center for new community members. The total project cost is \$38.826 million.

North Mankato: Caswell Park Improvements

The Governor recommends \$10.5 million for a grant to the City of North Mankato for capital upgrades to the Caswell Park softball and soccer complex and for a new indoor field house, which will expand the park's local, regional, and statewide benefit. The total project cost is \$16.5 million.

Northfield: Regional Transit Hub

The Governor recommends \$2.5 million for a grant to the City of Northfield for a regional transit hub that will include public bathrooms and waiting area, pavilion, access drive, and parking lots. The total project cost is \$3.101 million.

Olmsted County: Graham Park Regional Multi-Use Expo Building

The Governor recommends \$12.5 million for a grant to Olmsted County for a new multi-use arena and expo building at Graham Park. Graham Park has served the residents of southeast Minnesota as a community asset for 100 years, focusing on agriculture, community events, entertainment, and youth athletics. The total project cost is \$25 million.

Otter Tail County: Perham to Pelican Rapids Regional Trail

The Governor recommends \$1.978 million for a grant to Otter Tail County for a multi-use paved trail that will connect Perham and Pelican Rapids, and run through Maplewood State Park. The trail was divided into four segments for constructability and funding purposes. This project is for construction of the McDonald segment of the trail and design of the Maplewood State Trail. The total project cost is \$3.206 million.

Pine County: Oberstar Trail Segment

The Governor recommends \$650,000 for a grant to Pine County to complete a 1.9-mile paved trail to close the 22-mile trail gap between the North Branch Sunrise Prairie Trail and the Hinckley Munger Trail. The completion of this gap will provide a trail connection from the Twin Cities to the Twin Ports, making this trail regionally significant. The total project cost is \$1.25 million.

Plymouth: Creek Center

The Governor recommends \$15 million for a grant to the City of Plymouth for the Plymouth Creek Center project to fund design and construction costs for the expansion and renovation of the multi-use facility which includes an activity center, the Fieldhouse dome, and the Millennium Garden. The total project cost is \$52 million.

Prairie Lake Youth JPB: School and Recreation Center

The Governor recommends \$1.058 million for a grant to Prairie Lake Youth JPB, which is owned and operated by a Joint Powers agreement between five counties, to add a recreation area and academic classrooms. The total project cost is \$1.558 million.

Ramsey County: Battle Creek Winter Recreation Area

The Governor recommends \$2.127 million for a grant to Ramsey County to implement a permanent snow-making system for cross country skiing, downhill skiing, tubing, and sledding at Battle Creek Regional Park in St. Paul. The total project cost is \$4.253 million.

Ramsey County: Pathways to Dakota and Pioneer Life Program Expansion

The Governor recommends \$7.13 million for a grant to Ramsey County for new educational, administrative, and preservation buildings at Gibbs Farm to support its educational programs. The total project cost is \$14.392 million.

Red Wing: Old West Main Street Reconstruction and Riverfront Pedestrian-Bicycle Bridge

The Governor recommends \$1 million for a grant to the City of Red Wing to build a pedestrian - bicycle bridge connection. The total project cost is \$7.15 million.

Red Wing: He Mni Can-Barn Bluff Regional Park

The Governor recommends \$900,000 for a grant to the City of Red Wing to create a riverfront connection to Red Wing's historic He Mni Can-Barn Bluff Regional Park and the city's multi-use Colvill Park recreational area. The total project cost is \$3.676 million.

Red Wing: Upper Harbor and Bay Point Park Renewal

The Governor recommends \$2 million for a grant to the City of Red Wing to fund pre-design, design, engineering and construction for Red Wing's Upper Harbor and Bay Point Park Renewal on the Mississippi riverfront. The total project cost is \$4 million.

Rochester: Cascade Lake Park Improvements

The Governor recommends \$2.75 million for a grant to the City of Rochester for the Cascade Lake Park Improvements project to design and construct buildings such as an amphitheater and park pavilion that will provide access to major events for the regional population. The total project cost is \$5.5 million.

Rockville: Rocori Trail

The Governor recommends \$1.37 million for a grant to the City of Rockville for the Rocori Trail Phase 3 project to fund design and construction costs for approximately 50 miles of trail to complete the connection of the cities of Richmond, Cold Spring, and Rockville to the Rocori Trail. The total project cost is \$2.547 million.

Rogers: I-94 Pedestrian Overpass

The Governor recommends \$2.2 million for a grant to the City of Rogers for a new, safe pedestrian overpass over I-94 in Rogers. The total project cost is \$4.4 million.

Roseville: Guidant John Rose Minnesota OVAL

The Governor recommends \$5 million for a grant to the City of Roseville for the renovation of the facilities and building systems at the Guidant John Rose Minnesota OVAL. The OVAL is a 25-year-old outdoor recreation facility, which hosts national and international athletic competitions. The total project cost is \$5 million.

Scandia: Gateway State Trail Extension

The Governor recommends \$1.25 million for a grant to the City of Scandia for the Gateway State Trail Extension. The project would complete the Gateway Trail from William O'Brien State Park to the Scandia Village Center, and includes further design and land acquisition for the Gateway Trail extension south of William O'Brien and north of Scandia. The total project cost is \$4.6 million.

Shakopee: U.S. Highway 169 Pedestrian and Bicycle Overpass

The Governor recommends \$2.162 million for a grant to the City of Shakopee to build a trail connection for regionally significant trail corridors within Shakopee. The new section of trail and pedestrian bridge over U.S. Highway 169 will eliminate a significant gap for pedestrians and bicyclists. The total project cost is \$4.325 million.

Shakopee: Cultural Corridor with Minnesota Riverbank Stabilization and Access

The Governor recommends \$11.753 million for a grant to the City of Shakopee to create a regional cultural destination that will allow visitors to experience the Minnesota River. The project includes riverbank stabilization, environmental restoration, and increasing the public access to the river. The total project cost is \$23.506 million.

Silver Bay: Multimodal Trailhead Center

The Governor recommends \$1.9 million for a grant to the City of Silver Bay for a Multimodal Trailhead Center. Funding would be used to provide parking, accessible non-motorized and motorized trails, a multi-use building with lavatories and showers, picnic areas, and a playground. The total project cost is \$3.8 million.

St. Cloud: Municipal Athletic Complex Expansion and Renovation

The Governor recommends \$12.15 million for a grant to the City of St. Cloud to renovate, expand, and improve the St. Cloud Municipal Athletic Complex (MAC). The total project cost is \$24.3 million.

St. Joseph: Jacob Wetterling Recreation Center

The Governor recommends \$4 million for a grant to the City of St. Joseph for a new Jacob Wetterling Recreation Center that will host multi-generational activities. The total project cost is \$16 million.

St. Joseph: East Park

The Governor recommends \$300,000 for a grant to the City of St. Joseph for a parking lot, canoe access, and bathroom facilities at East Park, which will be a regional park. The total project cost is \$600,000.

St. Louis County: Voyageur Country ATV Trail System Expansion

The Governor recommends \$1 million for a grant to St. Louis County to expand the multi-use Voyageur Country ATV Trail System to connect existing and planned trails and communities in northeastern Minnesota. The total project cost is \$2 million.

St. Louis County: Fairground Buildings

The Governor recommends \$400,000 for a grant to St. Louis County to fund construction costs for two buildings at the St. Louis County Fairgrounds in Chisholm. The project will enable educational opportunities for visitors through animal exhibits. The total project cost is \$800,000.

St. Louis Park: Perspectives Family Center Capital Improvements

The Governor recommends \$4.9 million for a grant to the city of St. Louis Park to renovate and expand the Perspectives Family Center in order to provide comprehensive services to homeless and at-risk families and children. The total project cost is \$13 million.

St. Paul: River Recreation and Environmental Education Center

The Governor recommends \$3 million for a grant to the City of St. Paul for a new River Recreation and Environmental Education Center to provide the general public greater access to the Mississippi River. The total project cost is \$3.1 million.

St. Paul: Como Park Zoo

The Governor recommends \$2.5 million for a grant to the City of St. Paul to build a new orangutan exhibit and for energy efficiency improvement projects at the Como Zoo. The total project cost is \$16 million.

St. Paul: International Institute

The Governor recommends \$5.5 million for a grant to the city of St. Paul to build a new facility for the International Institute. The additional space will allow the Institute to better meet community demand for workforce training for new Americans. The total project cost is \$12.517 million.

St. Paul: YMCA

The Governor recommends \$1.6 million for a grant to the City of St. Paul for a new facility in downtown St. Paul for a YMCA community hub. The total project cost is \$20.09 million.

St. Paul: Minnesota Humanities Center

The Governor recommends \$750,000 for a grant to the City of St. Paul to make repairs and updates to the historic building that houses the Minnesota Humanities Center. The repairs will include completing a water intrusion remediation project and replacing the outdated, inefficient HVAC system. The total project cost is \$3.53 million.

St. Paul: Victoria Theater Arts

The Governor recommends \$2.4 million for a grant to the City of St. Paul to renovate the vacant Victoria Theater for use as a community arts center for the Frogtown and Rondo neighborhoods in St. Paul. The total project cost is \$4.799 million.

Staples: Batcher Block Opera House Restoration

The Governor recommends \$8.5 million for a grant to the City of Staples to convert the Batcher Block Opera House building into a multi-use performing arts facility, which will create an arts and education hub to host performances, classes, and community events. The total project cost is \$17 million.

Three Rivers Park District: Mississippi Gateway Regional Park

The Governor recommends \$8.5 million for a grant to the Three Rivers Park District to design and construct a new Mississippi Gateway Center, the Nature's Highline walkway, a Mini-Mississippi water play feature, trails, picnic shelters, and other improvements at the Mississippi Gateway Regional Park in Brooklyn Park. The total project cost is \$12.517 million.

Washington County: Cottage Grove Ravine Regional Park Lower Landing Project

The Governor recommends \$2 million for a grant to Washington County to build a new multi-use facility at the Cottage Grove Ravine Regional Park Lower Landing. The new building will include restrooms, office and storage space, a multipurpose lobby, and a drain field. The total project cost is \$4.845 million.

Washington County: St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park Boat Launch

The Governor recommends \$500,000 for a grant to Washington County for improvements to the boat launch in St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park, which are needed to provide safe public access to the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway. The total project cost is \$1.1 million.